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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 817

By Baird

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica Heatherly, 2002
Valedictorian of Campbell County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Campbell County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jessica Heatherly has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Heatherly has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, due to her outstanding commitment to academic excellence, Jessica has earned numerous honors and awards, including the Miss Teenage Christian Camp Counselor Award, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award, and a Certificate of Merit for outstanding academic work in Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Jessica was also a distinguished nominee for the prestigious Miss Campbell County High School Award, and she was named First Volunteer of the Junior Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented individual, Jessica Heatherly combines the rare qualities of academic proficiency and athletic excellence as she has participated as a member of the Campbell County High School Tennis team all four years of her high school career; and

WHEREAS, highly respected as a leader among her peers; Ms. Heatherly has served as Secretary of her Senior Class and currently serves as Student Council Historian and as Vice-President of the Beta Club; she was also bestowed the honor of serving in the Football Homecoming Court by her peers in the tenth and eleventh grades and as Queen of the Basketball Homecoming Court as a Senior; and

WHEREAS, an active member of numerous scholastic organizations, Jessica has displayed tremendous dedication as a member of the National Beta Club, Business Professionals of America, the Key Club, the Interact Club, the Spanish Club, and the Pep Club; she has also been an integral part of the Campbell County High School Teen Board Grand March and the High School Guidance Program; and

WHEREAS, as a dedicated member of both the Junior Board of Directors and the Beta Club, Jessica has participated in numerous civic activities to enhance her community; and

WHEREAS, a young lady of impeccable character, Ms. Heatherly is an active member of her church's youth group; and

WHEREAS, Jessica's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she plans to major in Business at East Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Heatherly's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Campbell County High School Valedictorian, Jessica Heatherly, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.